FISCAL NOTE

SB 218

February 10, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a permit to own, breed, offer to sell, trade, give away, purchase, offer to purchase, acquire, import, release or cause to be released a canid and felid hybrid. Permits will be granted from the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. This bill provides for an establishment of a permit fee. Violations of the provisions of this bill are punishable as a Class A misdemeanor with a sentence not greater than 11 months 29 days or a fine not to exceed \$2,500 or both.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant
Increase State Revenue - Not Significant
Increase Local Government Expenditures - Not Significant

Cost estimate assumes fees will offset administrative cost.

The impact on local government will depend upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resultant increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenue to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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